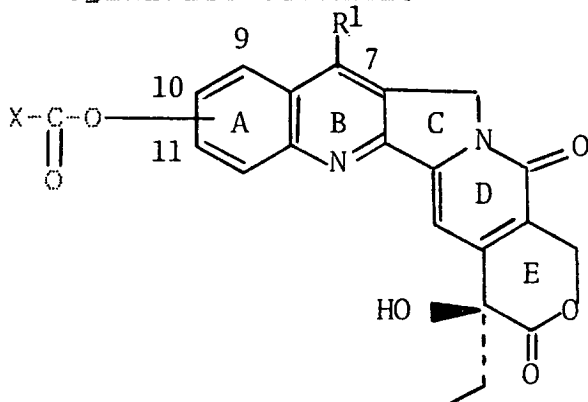


Page 32, line 20, change "phosgen" to -- phosgene -- (both occurrences).

In The Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows.

1. (amended) [New camptothecin] Camptothecin derivatives
of the [general] formula:



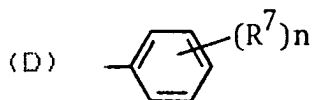
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wherein R^1 is a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom or an alkyl group with 1-4 carbon atoms and X is a chlorine atom or $-NR^2R^3$ where R^2 and R^3 are the same or different and each represents a hydrogen atom, a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group with 1-4 carbon atoms or a substituted or unsubstituted [carbocyclic or heterocyclic] group selected from

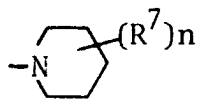
the group consisting of cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl,
 N-methylpiperidyl-(4), 2-pyrrolidyl, phenyl, tolyl, xylyl,
 pyridyl-2 and 2-methylpyridyl-(4), with the proviso that when
² ³
 both R and R are the substituted or unsubstituted alkyl
 groups, they may be combined together with the nitrogen atom,
 to which they are bonded, to form a heterocyclic ring ~~which~~
~~may be interrupted with -O-, -S- and/or~~ ⁴ >N-R selected from
 the group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine,
 2-oxapyrrolidine, morpholine, thiomorpholine and
⁴ ⁴
 4-R piperazine rings in which R is a hydrogen atom, a
 substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group with 1-4 carbon atoms
 or a substituted or unsubstituted phenyl group and wherein the
 grouping -O-CO-X is bonded to a carbon atom located in any of
 the 9-, 10- and 11-positions in the ring A, [as well as an] and
 ammonium salts or [an] alkali metal salts thereof.

2. (amended) [New] The camptothecin derivatives according
² ³ ⁴
 to claim 1, wherein R, R or R in case of the alkyl
 group is substituted by one or more substituents selected from
 the following atoms and/or groups:

- 10620X (A) -F, -Cl, -Br and -I,
⁵
 (B) -OH and -OR,
⁶ ⁶ ⁶
 (C) -COOR, -SO R and -PO (R),
³ ³ ²



and



(E) $\text{-NR}^{\text{B}}\text{R}^{\text{9}}$ and $\text{-CONR}^{\text{B}}\text{R}^{\text{9}}$, and

(F) $\text{-Q-A-OR}^{\text{5}}$, $\text{-Q-A-NR}^{\text{B}}\text{R}^{\text{9}}$ and $\text{-Q-A-Q-R}^{\text{5}}$

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wherein R⁵ is an alkyl group with 1-4 carbon atoms or a

phenyl group which may be substituted by a halogen atom or an

alkyl group with 1-4 carbon atoms, R⁶ is a hydrogen atom or

an alkyl group with 1-4 carbon atoms, R⁷ is a hydrogen atom,

a halogen atom, an alkyl group with 1-4 carbon atoms or an

alkoxy group with 1-4 carbon atoms, n is an integer of 1-3,

R⁸ and R⁹ are the same or different and each represents a

hydrogen atom or an alkyl group with 1-4 carbon atoms with the

proviso that when both R⁸ and R⁹ are the alkyl groups, they

may be combined together with the nitrogen atom, to which they

are bonded, to form a heterocyclic ~~group which may be~~

~~interrupted with O, S or N-R⁶~~ ring selected from the

group consisting of pyrrolidine, piperidine, 2-oxapyrrolidine,

morpholine and 4-R⁴-piperazine rings, Q is the grouping

(13) -O-CO- or -CO-O-, and A is a straight or branched chain

alkylene group with 1-4 carbon atoms.

Please cancel claims 3-17 without prejudice and without disclaimer of any of the subject matter contained therein, and substitute the following claims therefor.

3 ~~23~~ 23. Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 9-chlorocarbonyloxy-7-R¹-camptothecins. ~

4 ~~24~~ 24. Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 10-chlorocarbonyloxy-7-R¹-camptothecins. ~

5 ~~25~~ 25. Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 11-chlorocarbonyloxy-7-R¹-camptothecins. ~

6 ~~26~~ 26. Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 9-(4-R⁴-1-piperazino)carbonyloxy-7-R¹-camptothecins. ~

7 ~~27~~ 27. Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 9-(1-piperazino)carbonyloxy-7-R¹-camptothecins. ~

8 ~~28~~ 28. Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 9-[(4-C¹⁻⁴ alkylcarbamoylmethyl)-1-piperazinolcarbonyl-
oxy-7-R¹-camptothecins. ~

9 ~~29~~ 29. Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 9-[(4-(1-piperidino)-1-piperidinolcarbonyloxy-7-R¹-campto-
thecins. ~

10 ~~30~~ 30. Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 10-(di-C¹⁻⁴ alkylamino)carbonyloxy-7-R¹-camptothecins. ~

11 ~~31~~ 31. Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 10-[N-(di-C¹⁻⁴ alkylamino-C¹⁻⁴ alkyl)laminocarbonyloxy-7-
R¹-camptothecins. ~

12 ~~32~~ 32. Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 10-[N-C¹⁻⁴ alkyl-N-(di-C¹⁻⁴ alkylamino-C¹⁻⁴ alkyl)lamino-
carbonyloxy-7-R¹-camptothecins. ~

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13 ~~33~~ Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 10-[N-C₈ alkyl-N-(1-C₁₋₄ alkyl-4-piperidino)amino]-
carbonyloxy-7-R¹-camptothecins. *m*

14 ~~34~~ Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 10-[4-R⁴-1-piperazino]carbonyloxy-7-R¹-camptothecins. *m*

15 ~~35~~ Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 10-(1-piperazino)carbonyloxy-7-R¹-camptothecins. *m*

16 ~~36~~ Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 10-(4-C₁₋₄ alkyl-1-piperazino)carbonyloxy-7-R¹-campto-
thecins. *m*

17 ~~37~~ Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 10-(4-phenyl-1-piperazino)carbonyloxy-7-R¹-campto-
thecins. *m*

18 ~~38~~ Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 10-(4-benzyl-1-piperazino)carbonyloxy-7-R¹-campto-
thecins. *m*

19 ~~39~~ Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 10-[(4-C₁₋₄ alkylcarbonylmethyl)-1-piperazino]carbonyloxy-
7-R¹-camptothecins. *m*

20 ~~40~~ Camptothecin derivatives according to claim 1, which
are 10-[4-(piperidino)-1-piperidino]carbonyloxy-7-R¹-campto-
thecins. *m*